



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**PATENT**

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Examiner : Nguyen, John Quoc  
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Title : SPOOL HAVING REVERSING SPIRAL GUIDE

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action date August 9, 2005. A one month shortened statutory response period was set by the action. This response is being filed within the first month after this due date. A request for an extension of time and the appropriate fee accompany this response. This extension resets the deadline to October 9, 2005.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.

Charge any fee associated with this response, and credit any overpayment, to deposit account 50-2719.